

SENATE No. 1360

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Richard R. Tisei

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in General Court assembled:

The undersigned legislators and/or citizens respectfully petition for the passage of the accompanying bill:

An Act limiting a portion of the rainy day fund to mitigate local aid cuts.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
Richard R. Tisei	Middlesex and Essex
Bruce E. Tarr	First Essex and Middlesex
Michael R. Knapik	Second Hampden and Hampshire
Robert L. Hedlund	Plymouth and Norfolk
Scott P. Brown	Norfolk, Bristol and Middlesex

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE SENATE, NO. S02151 OF 2007-2008.]

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In the Year Two Thousand and Nine

AN ACT LIMITING A PORTION OF THE RAINY DAY FUND TO MITIGATE LOCAL AID CUTS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 2H of chapter 29 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2004 official
- 2 edition, is hereby amended in line 14 by inserting after the word “units” the following:-
- 3 “Not less than ten percent of the total amount of the fund shall be designated and set aside for the
- 4 sole purpose of avoiding or mitigating reductions in the amounts distributed to cities and towns
- 5 as local aid through programs including but not limited to Chapter 70 educational funding,
- 6 lottery aid and additional assistance, provided that funds may be expended from the fund for this
- 7 purpose in addition to those prescribed in (1), (2) and (3) above.